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(September 7, 2012)-The HFA Gallery begins the academic year with two exhibitions featuring two visiting professors and artists.

Wrestling with Yourself and Others features the sculptural work of Amy Toscani and will be displayed on the main floor of the gallery, while Emily Lyman’s drawings, entitled Hardware, will be exhibited on the mezzanine level. The exhibitions will run through October 11, 2012.

Amy Toscani received her BFA from Ohio University in 1986. Her focus in studio arts was in drawing, illustration, and sculpture. She went on to receive her MFA in sculpture at Ohio University in 1988. Her sculptures are produced from recycled materials and found objects. She has been a recipient of a Minnesota State Arts Board Grant, Jerome and McKnight Fellowships, and the Bush Foundation Grant. She has also been awarded the Kohler Artist and Sculpture Space Residencies, along with being commissioned for Public Art in Saint Paul and Minneapolis. Toscani has taught sculpture at the College of Visual Arts in Saint Paul for many years and is currently teaching 3-D design, drawing, and sculpture at the University of Minnesota, Morris.

Emily Lyman graduated with her BA in Studio Art and Spanish from the University of Minnesota, Morris in 2006 and went on to receive her MFA in print media from Cranbrook Academy of Art in 2008. Upon graduation from Cranbrook she was named Daimler Chrysler emerging artist finalist. For the past few years she has worked at the Walker Art Center and at Blacktop Interactive creating apps for mobile devices. She will be teaching courses in drawing and printmaking for the 2012-13 academic year.

HFA Gallery hours are 9 a.m. until 8 p.m., Monday–Thursday 9 a.m. until 6 p.m., Friday and 1 until 5 p.m., Saturday. For more information, contact Michael Eble, HFA curator, at 320-589-6285 or meble@morris.umn.edu.

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